

REMARKS

This application has been reviewed in light of the *Ex parte Quayle* Office Action dated October 29, 2007. In view of the foregoing amendment and the following remarks, favorable reconsideration and an early Notice of Allowance are respectfully requested.

Claims 1-12 are pending, of which Claim 1 is the sole independent claim.

Claim 1 was objected to on a formal ground. In response, Applicants have amended the claim in the manner suggested by the Examiner. Accordingly, Applicants request withdrawal of this objection and submit that this application is in condition for allowance.

In addition, Applicants request acknowledgment of receipt of the certified copies of the priority documents submitted on September 3, 2004.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted,

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